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SUBJECT: CZECHS CONCUR - ABKHAZIA IS NOT KOSOVO

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(SBU) Emboffs met with Czech MFA Director of Northern and Eastern Europe, David Kostoval, to discuss possible Russian recognition of Abkhazia, Georgia. Kostoval succinctly stated the Czech position on Abkhazia - they recognize Georgia's territorial integrity and they would like to see a peaceful solution. Kostoval confirmed that like the USG, the GOCR does not see Kosovo in the same light as Abkhazia.
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